

**BANK CLOSED
BY SHORTAGE**

National City Bank of Cambridge, Mass.

DEFALCATION IS ALLEGED

Comptroller of Currency Orders Institution Closed To-day—Bookkeeper Said to Have Taken \$144,000.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 22.—On account of a reported shortage of \$144,000, due, it is alleged, to the defalcation of a bookkeeper, the National City Bank of Cambridge has been declared to be insolvent and ordered closed by the comptroller of the currency. The resources and the liabilities of the bank at the last statement to the comptroller were \$330,000 each.

REBUFF FOR THE RAILWAY MEN.

Baltimore and Ohio Declines to Accede to Request for Increased Wages.

Baltimore, Feb. 22.—The Order of Railroad Conductors and the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, which have undertaken to secure a general increase of wages for all employees in those branches of the service on the principal lines in the eastern part of the United States and in Canada, have suffered a rebuff at the very beginning of their campaign.

Three weeks of negotiations between the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, among the first to be approached in the matter, ended yesterday when the company, through President Daniel Williams, declined to accede to the demands of the organization.

A strike is believed to be imminent, but this action rests with the rank and file of the trainmen of the system, some 8,000 in number, who will be polled at once, a task which will consume about ten days.

President Garrison of the conductors and President Lee of the trainmen came to Baltimore three weeks ago and took charge of the negotiations with the Baltimore & Ohio. A vice-president of each organization went to Canada and representatives proceeded to New Haven, where negotiations are still in progress with the New York, New Haven & Hartford. The Canadian Pacific, Grand Trunk and Toronto, Hamilton & Buffalo, refused to make concessions satisfactory to the men and the men are now being polled on the question of a strike.

**HOME RULE NOT TO
BE INTRODUCED**

This Statement of Asquith May Result in Fight Among Liberals—Radicals May Seize Unless Asquith Opposes Lords.

London, Feb. 23.—Asquith said to-day that the government does not intend to introduce the home rule bill this session. This statement added to the general confusion and may mean a fight within the Liberal ranks. Thirty extreme radicals met to-day and sent a statement to Asquith that unless he proceeds with the bill, they will force a new election. The radicals will secede from the Liberals and force a new election.

CORNELL SENIORS HELD.

Three Prominent Students Charge with Assaulting Two Policemen.

Ithaca, N. Y., Feb. 23.—Three Cornell seniors, Clarence J. Pope of Pittsburgh and Paul Williams and Samuel W. Williams of Salt Lake City, were held under \$500 bail each yesterday, charged with assaulting two policemen, who tried to remove them from a student resort early yesterday morning.

Pope is well known as a hero of the Chi Psi fraternity house fire three years ago when he saved several students. Paul Williams is captain of the basketball team and Samuel Williams rowed on the 1908 varsity crew. All are prominent in university circles.

MANAGER FALCONIO OFFENDED.

Because Vatican Appointed American Bishops Without Notifying Him.

Rome, Feb. 23.—A semi-official statement received to-day says that Manager Falconio, papal delegate to the United States, has resigned, owing to the Vatican making the appointment of several American bishops without notifying him. It is also understood that the resignation has been withdrawn under the condition that Falconio will be allowed to make public all future appointments.

FIREMEN INJURED.

Fire Wagon at Worcester Struck by Electric Car.

Worcester, Mass., Feb. 23.—Three firemen were painfully injured yesterday when the hose wagon of engine 1 was struck by an electric car as the wagon was responding to a fire alarm. As the wagon swung out of fire headquarters onto Bridge street and then into Front street, the car struck the rear end of the wagon. Fireman Thomas M. Conlon, who was standing up in the wagon getting into his "toys," was taken to St. Vincent's hospital, and the surgeons have been unable to determine the extent of his injuries. Fireman James Brown was badly cut and bruised and Brown's left knee was wrenched. The fire was a slight one.

**URGES SPREAD EAGLE
ORATORY FOR G. A. R.**

Gov. Prouty's Suggestion for Memorial Day, Vermont Veterans' Association Holds Annual Banquet.

Boston, Feb. 22.—Gov. George H. Prouty of Vermont was the principal guest last evening at the 22nd annual banquet of the Vermont Veterans' association of Boston and vicinity, about 40 members being present.

Other guests introduced by Col. Albert Clark, president of the association, were Rev. Dr. Arthur Little of Boston, John L. Parker, Massachusetts department commander, G. A. R.; Col. A. B. Franklin, Vermont department commander, G. A. R.; Col. Henry P. Butler of Lafayette post, G. A. R.; New York City; Brig. Gen. Charles K. Darling, president of the Vermont association of Boston; and Hon. Herman W. Allen of Burlington, Vt. Gen. Carl L. Marsh of Enosburg Falls, Vt., and Col. Henry O. Clark of East Orange, N. J., comprising a self-constituted committee of the 13th Vermont regiment.

Gov. Prouty paid tribute to the members of the G. A. R. as the great force in inculcating the principles of loyalty and liberty. He urged that the best oratory be obtained for Memorial Day, and oratory of the spread-eagle type, since the proper subject for that day was the deeds of the veterans only.

**MAINE CENTRAL
DOING GOOD WORK**

Toward Abolishing Grade Crossings on Its Fourteen Miles of Track in Vermont. Hearing at Guildhall Yesterday.

Guildhall, Feb. 22.—The Vermont public service commission gave a hearing yesterday on the petition of the Maine Central railroad for the abolishing of two grade crossings in this town, the ones considered being those known as the Pendegre crossings. All the board were present; the state was represented by State Attorney George Hunt and by Engineer Dunn. The scheme considered was the constructing of a new highway, cutting off two crossings and leaving one between them for the use of the Pendegres and others in that vicinity. It will cost \$10,000.

Although the Maine Central railroad has only fourteen miles of track in Vermont, it has abolished two crossings in Madison and these two in Guildhall will make it full quota for the four years. New Hampshire and Maine, where the road operates principally, have no law like Vermont requiring the abolishment of grade crossings.

**"BATTLING NELSON"
WANTS TO TRY AGAIN**

Offers Cash Bonus of \$10,000 to Voluntary to Return Battle and Wants Him to Make Good His Statement.

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 23.—"Batling Nelson," defeated last night, offered a cash bonus of \$10,000 to Volgaist, the new champion, to return the battle under any conditions. The champion demands that the victor make good any statement that he would meet "any deserving right-weight."

SEVERELY PUNISHED.

Monte Attell Knocked Out in the 42nd Round.

Los Angeles, Feb. 23.—Frankie Conley of Kansas, Wis., knocked out Monte Attell of San Francisco yesterday in the 42nd round of a 45 round fight.

Attell was severely punished and when Conley knocked him down in the 42nd his seconds threw up the sponge before the count was finished. Conley emerged from the encounter without a scratch, while Attell lay on the floor for two minutes after Conley's blow on the jaw had sent him down for the count. His left eye was closed and he was disfigured, his mouth and nose were bleeding and his lips were swollen and bruised. Conley danced to his corner.

Attell never seemed to be able to break through Conley's defense. He parried, ducked and sent him down for the count. When Conley landed a heart blow, and he was going down hill from that point until the finish.

Conley won the McCarthy diamond belt for the bantam weight championship.

**FATAL INJURIES
TO SIMON HATCH**

Portland, Me., Man Victim in Wreck on Boston & Maine Railroad at Kittery Junction, Me.

Portland, Me., Feb. 23.—A collision between a Boston & Maine train and a snowplow this morning caused fatal injuries to Simon Hatch of Portland, Me., and slight injuries to three other people. The collision happened at Kittery Junction near here.

THREW HIMSELF FROM TRAIN.

Michael Donhey Escaped from Tewksbury Asylum and Committed Suicide.

Lovell, Mass., Feb. 23.—Michael Donhey of Boston jumped from the Tewksbury asylum here to-day and threw himself from a train at Lovell Junction, being instantly killed.

ALLEGED MURDERER EXECUTED.

He Protested His Innocence to the Last of Death of Woman.

Gosling, N. Y., Feb. 23.—Protesting his innocence to the last, Carl Ford was electrocuted to-day at Sing Sing for the murder of Mrs. Sophie Shober at Flatbush last July. Two applications of the current were necessary.

**MRS. POWERS
SHOOED AWAY**

Burlington Woman Demanded to See Pres. Taft

IN NEW YORK CITY TODAY

She Told Secret Service Men That She Didn't Like the Methods of the Burlington Postmaster and Wanted Him Removed.

New York, Feb. 22.—President Taft to-day visited the Morgan gallery with Lewis Glass Ladyard to see the picture of Morgan, which was painted by Isaac Flor, the Peruvian artist, who wants to paint Taft, but no sittings were arranged.

Mrs. Sarah Powers of Burlington, Vt., fell into the hands of the secret service at Henry Taft's home, where President Taft is staying. She objects, she said, to the business methods and character of the Burlington postmaster, and she tried to force her way into the house, to see the president and arrange for the postmaster's deportation. When she explained her mission to the secret service men, they freed her, and she promptly started for the railroad station to return to Vermont.

ATTENDED TWO BANQUETS.

Last Night President Taft attended two banquets. Six hundred police lieutenants of Greater New York cheered the president as he appeared before them at the Waldorf-Astoria, a late and almost informal arrival at the fourth annual banquet.

He has previously attended and delivered an address before the Society of the Cincinnati in the state of New Jersey, an aristocratic affair held at the Hotel Plaza. Leaving there after a speech, which dwelt almost entirely with the life of Washington, the president made quick progress by automobile to the police gathering, where he was enthusiastically received.

**DESPERATE MAN
UNDER ARREST**

He Tried to Escape Several Times and Also to Commit Suicide at Providence.

Providence, R. I., Feb. 23.—A man who the police believe is responsible for two murders and three hold-ups and robberies and who claims to be William Trent of Boston, was captured after a hard struggle by two police detectives in sight of the holiday crowds at the Union railroad station yesterday. A snail, who says he is Joseph B. Dixon of Rochester, N. Y., fled to a New York express during the fight but was captured when the train pulled into the Western R. I. station. Both men were lodged at police headquarters last night but refused to talk about themselves or what they have been doing during the last few months.

Trent gave the detectives no end of trouble. During the encounter at the station he tried to pull a gun from his hip pocket but the weapon was torn from his grasp. After when he was being examined at headquarters, he attempted to grab the same revolver and fight his way to the door, but the detectives were too quick for him. When a photograph was being taken of him, he started towards the stairs in an effort to throw himself down the four stories, but the prompt action of Detective Caffery prevented the suicide.

**MORE QUIET TURN
OF AFFAIRS TODAY**

Governor Stuart Had Threatened to Call Out the State Troops, if Necessary to Quell the Disturbances.

Philadelphia, Feb. 23.—The statement by Governor Stuart that he is ready to call out the troops if necessary has dampened the ardor of the street car strikers, and there was little violence to-day. Half a dozen local labor men returned to-day from Washington, where Senator Penrose promised to use every influence to end the strike, saying that it should never have occurred.

DIED FROM SHOCK.

Mrs. Aurora Cutts, Mother of Mrs. C. L. Bugbee, This Noon.

Aurora Sherburne Cutts, widow of Samuel Cutts, died at noon to-day of apoplexy at her home on Highland avenue, adjoining the residence of her daughter, Mrs. C. L. Bugbee. Mrs. Cutts sustained a shock at six o'clock this morning. She had not been as well as usual during the past two weeks, because of injuries sustained in a fall.

She was born in the town of Orange on May 12, 1838, and was therefore 71 years of age. She was married in 1855, and Mr. Cutts died fourteen years ago. Since her marriage, Mrs. Cutts had always lived in Barre. She leaves three children, Mrs. J. W. Leonard of Charleston, N. H.; Mrs. F. W. Coney of New Rochelle, N. Y.; and Mr. C. L. Bugbee of this city. Mrs. Cutts had been a member of the Methodist church for a long time.

**ARMIES AND SHIPS
DO NOT MAKE GLORY**

Peace Constitutes the True Glory of a Nation, Said Prof. Howard to Members of University Club.

About forty persons sat down to the annual banquet of the University club, which was held last night in the vestry of the Universalist church. Prof. Walter E. Howard of Middlebury college was the speaker of the evening, and during the course of his remarks he decried the tendency of modern times to militarism, saying that the true glory of a nation lies more in peace than in war. He was introduced by the toastmaster, President H. G. Woodruff of the club, and for an hour gave a most interesting discourse.

After outlining briefly some historical events, Prof. Howard said that the true glory of a nation does not depend upon numbers, upon size, upon wealth, or upon armies and fleets, but rather upon those things, fidelity to truth, justice, love of liberty and peace. In discussing the value of peace, Prof. Howard said that the United States had not gone to the extreme of armament, like some other countries, and he hoped the day would never come when the spirit of militarism would become so strong as to demand the extreme.

At the close of his address, Prof. Howard was thanked by President Woodruff for the excellence of the discourse, although, declared the toastmaster, all the sentiments expressed by Prof. Howard might not be entirely concurred in by those present.

**HARDWICK WOMAN
DROWNED HERSELF**

Mrs. Sarah Gray, Aged 72, Left Note Saying That She Was Tired of Living.

Hardwick, Feb. 23.—The body of Mrs. Sarah Gray was found in the Lamelle river, a short distance below the Robin milldam yesterday, she having committed suicide the night before, leaving a note saying that she was tired of living.

Mrs. Gray was employed at the home of Dr. and Mrs. S. E. Darling, and, as she was in the habit of retiring early, Mrs. Darling thought Monday evening that she was in her room. E. A. White, who rooms there, noticed that her door was open when he went to bed, but supposed she had gone to Graybury, as she had contemplated doing earlier in the day.

When the doctor found yesterday morning that no breakfast had been prepared he instituted a search. Tracks were discovered in the snow leading from Wolcott street to a hole in the ice of the river, beside which lay Mrs. Gray's hat. The body was found in shallow water a short distance below, where it had become wedged between the ice and the river bottom. It was taken to the undertaking rooms of E. M. Davis.

Mrs. Gray is survived by a son, Millard Gray of Johnson, and a granddaughter, Miss Bertha Merrill, of this place.

POLICEMAN ON THE RACK.

Abraham Bloom Charges That Officer Vincent Made a False Arrest.

Burlington, Feb. 23.—A hearing was held last evening before the police commissioners in the case of Officer Levi Vincent, charged by Abraham Bloom, being making a false arrest. Besides the commissioners, only Officer Vincent and Mr. Bloom were present, and the hearing was continued to this evening, when several witnesses will appear.

Mr. Bloom charges that on January 21 Officer Vincent entered his store and took him to the police station. Arriving there, Chief Russell ordered that Bloom be set at liberty as the arrest was illegal and without authority.

According to Officer Vincent's story no arrest was made. A man who left a pair of shoes at Bloom's store to be repaired got in an argument over the price. Officer Vincent was summoned to the store and endeavored to settle the dispute. The wrangle continued and Bloom was taken to the station so that the dispute might be adjusted.

HUGHES GIVEN DEGREE.

Was Orator of Day at Pennsylvania.

Philadelphia, Feb. 23.—As has been its custom for nearly 100 years, the anniversary of the birth of George Washington was observed yesterday by the university of Pennsylvania as a University Day. The feature of which was the announcement of a number of gifts to the institution, the conferring of degrees and the address of Governor Hughes of New York, the orator of the occasion. The exercises were held in the Academy of Music and began after the long procession of faculty and students, garbed in academic gowns, had entered the big auditorium.

The conferring of degrees was among the first things on the long and interesting program. Governor Hughes was honored with the degree of doctor of laws.

BIG FIRE AT PUEBLO.

Colorado Fuel & Iron Company's Loss Is \$1,000,000.

Pueblo, Col., Feb. 23.—The pattern storehouse of the Minnequa plant of the Colorado Fuel & Iron company was burned last night. The loss is \$1,000,000.

**\$50,000 MORE
IS ASKED FOR**

In Order to Erect Barre's Federal Building

BILL NOW IN CONGRESS

Congressman Plumley Presented Measure in House and It Is Now Before the Committee on Public Buildings.

That the project for constructing a federal building in Barre is going along satisfactorily is shown by the introduction of a bill in Congress by Congressman Plumley, of the second Vermont district, to make an additional appropriation of \$50,000 for the completion of the work. The bill is now before the House committee of public buildings and grounds.

The government had appropriated the sum of \$60,000 for Barre's federal building, and the site at the corner of Main and Prospect streets had been cleared ready for the beginning of the work, when it was found that the appropriation was not adequate for the building as planned. Hence, the introduction of this bill by Congressman Plumley.

The bill is headed, "To increase the limit of cost for the erection and completion of the United States post office building in the city of Barre, Vermont," and the text of the measure is as follows:

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that to enable the secretary of the treasury of the United States to erect, complete and furnish the post office building in the city of Barre, Vermont, provided for in existing legislation, the limit of cost heretofore fixed by Congress therefor be, and the same hereby be, increased in and by the sum of fifty thousand dollars, and the secretary of the treasury is hereby authorized to enter into contract for the erection and completion of said building within the limit of cost herein established."

It is thought that the bill will be acted on favorably by Congress, thus enabling Barre to secure a building commensurate with the requirements of the city.

NO AID NOW NEEDED.

Settlement of Granite Trouble Puts the Lumpers in Shape Again.

The final settlement of the most extraordinary and most unfortunate labor trouble which the city of Barre and vicinity have ever experienced having been accomplished by the signing of the differing agreements between employer and employee in the different branches of the only industry of Barre City, it is a great source of pleasure to everyone in our midst. That this is so can be readily seen by the "glad hand" that is being so openly extended by everyone at the present time, and with the good conditions that are guaranteed for at least the next five years, there is no doubt but Barre will be able to make up a little of what has been lost during the past few weeks. With concentrated action by everyone, there is still an opportunity to make a bigger and better Barre.

I wish to state to the public that, with the resumption of work, the stone sheds and the opportunities that will now be open to everyone to find employment, further assistance to the needy members of the lumpers, boxers and derickmen's union will not be required. It is being expected that they will all have employment in a few days. Thanks to the generous response by the public, there are still a few dollars left to cover their immediate wants for this week, at least.

I wish to again extend my thanks to all who, individually and collectively, have contributed time and money to the cause, and am glad that there are so many of our neighbors who are willing to sacrifice a little of their own comfort to help those who are a little less fortunate. The absence of real want and poverty in our midst, during these three months of enforced idleness, among 3,000 wage-earners, in the dead of winter, and such winters as we have in Vermont, shows that the money so generously donated has been used to good advantage, and the result is a credit to the reputation of the city we are all so proud of.

Owing to the circumstances above mentioned, it has been thought advisable to call off the benefit concert which is being held by the Granite Association, led by the Heddling male chorus, led by our prominent musical director, W. H. Goodfellow, was to have given, and while extending thanks to Mr. Goodfellow and his chorus for their generous offer, I cannot see my way to accept same for this purpose, under the present conditions. There is no doubt our music-loving public will regret the opportunity to hear the concert, but Mr. Goodfellow may be prevailed upon to give us a concert in the near future for some other desirable cause, such as the Barre hospital, or some other object for the good of the public. James Mutch, Secretary G. L. U.

HEAD SPLIT OPEN.

Mathew Smith of Rockingham Goes to Hospital.

Bellows Falls, Feb. 23.—Harry Armstrong, colored, and Mathew Smith, farm hands in Rockingham, yesterday were fighting when Armstrong hit Smith with a club over the head, splitting his scalp open. He was taken to Keene hospital yesterday afternoon. Armstrong escaped.

**MORE EXPENSES
IN CITY ACCOUNTS**

Occasioned by Taking School Census and Having Patients Recommitted to Insane Asylum.

Several resolutions were adopted last night by the board of aldermen in one of the last meetings of the present administration, one of them appropriating \$300 to the support of the Aldrich library; another authorizing the borrowing of \$30,000 in anticipation of taxes (notes to be payable August 10, next); a third ordering the Barre railroad to remove the piles and ice-breaks recently placed under its bridges, or else take steps to prevent ice blocking in the river; and the fourth to execute the city's quit-claim deed on the exchange of land, at the intersection of Main, Washington and Elm streets, with the Aldrich fund trustees.

Business before the meeting was, otherwise, light. The weekly department salaries were augmented by the addition of a bill of \$100.42 for expenses of hearing in cases of Barre's insane paupers for recommitment to the state asylum, and another of \$137.72 for taking the census of school children and deaf, dumb, blind and epileptics. The street department pay-roll of \$239.33 was large, being partially due to the payment of heavy snowfalls from the street. Additional street lights of the tungsten kind were ordered for the following places: Granite street near bridge, Franklin street near F. D. Ladd's, South Main street near R. C. Leonard's, Perry street at South Warren, French street and Depot square, the last named light to burn all night.

The aldermen refused to set aside Prospect street for coasting; they accepted the city attorney's report, which stated the city is not liable for damage to D. M. Miles company's horse, which was injured by a stone in the street; they accepted the favorable report of the fire department on Grant Lane's application for a piazza on the south side of his building, corner of North Main and Seminary streets, but ordered Inspector Field's permit on the same returned for correction; they gave Ernesto Oltonini a permit to transfer a house from Center to Blackwell street, and, finally, ordered the fire committee to investigate James Gendres' application to move his toolhouse from the Hill street school to Charles street.

**RED MEN BANQUET
A BIG SUCCESS**

There Were Nearly 200 Present Last Night to Enjoy the Annual of This Organization.

The members of the tribe of Red Men, No. 10, held their annual celebration of Washington's birthday last evening at the hall in the Worthen building. Although not so elaborate as the celebrations of former years, last evening's was fully as successful from every point of view, and the entire company of nearly 200 people passed an enjoyable evening.

The members of the tribe were assisted in preparation for the celebration by the members of the newly organized Court Winnetta, Daughters of Pocahontas.

The exercises were opened with an address of welcome by Stephen Peter Brown and then came the grand march, led by the sashmen and Mrs. Brown. Dancing was continued until about 10 o'clock, when a buffet lunch, consisting of various kinds of sandwiches, fruit, cake and coffee, was served, after which dancing was resumed. During the evening, Genl. Keeper of Wampum W. W. Russell gave a short address, in keeping with the occasion.

The hall, in which the dance was held, was handsomely decorated in red, white and blue, and at the head hung a large portrait of Washington, draped with flags. Music for dancing was furnished by Coburn's orchestra of three pieces. James Hogg and George Cooper were in charge of the floor.

The committee from the Red Men in charge of the celebration was composed of Peter Brown, Walter Morgan, Frank Riddick, W. F. Walker, James Hogg, George Cooper and George Morgan. The committee from the Daughters of Pocahontas was composed of Mrs. William Stephen, Mrs. George Robertson, Mrs. M. Basset, Mrs. M. Gendres, Mrs. Jane McKernan, Miss Crowley, Mrs. George Cornack.

PARENTS OBJECTED.

But the Young People Got Married Just the Same.

Henry Gallison of North Montpelier and Miss Eliza Deaton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Deaton of Williamstown, were united in marriage by City Clerk James Meloy at his office in the city building Monday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. It has since become known that the young couple were elopers. It is said that on the night before their marriage the parents of the girl had forbidden her meeting the young man again. The young man, however, it is said, got the consent of his mother to marry the girl and after procuring a marriage license of Town Clerk Clark Sibley, the couple drove to this city and straight to the city clerk's office and were united. After they had been made one they drove to Washington, where they remained until Tuesday with relatives. Gallison gave his age as 21 and the girl's as 18. It is claimed that the girl had been spending the winter at the home of Joseph Blahop in North Montpelier and that it was while she was there that Gallison began paying his attentions to her. The parents of both young people, it is said, objected strenuously to their keeping company and the father of the groom did not know of the marriage until the following day.

**BUSINESS
OPENS WELL**

Although It Has Not Reached Full Proportions

NORTHFIELD SIGNS A BILL

G. R. Bianchi Applies for Readmission to Barre Association and Will Be Allowed on Certain Conditions.

Although the wheels of industry have not begun to whirl to their capacity in the granite industry of Barre and Washington county following the settlement of a three months' dispute, matters rapidly shaped themselves to-day, so that full resumption of operations is expected within a short time. Practically all the granite plants of Barre opened up for business this morning, and the men with the diamond saws were again a familiar object on the streets. Some of the firms opened in a small way yesterday afternoon.

All of them will take on their complete gangs of workmen just as fast as the tool sharpeners can get the tools into shape for the cutters; apprentices were working during the shutdown in many plants, making a thorough overhauling of the tools necessary. The general statement is made that there is a large quantity of orders on hand and that more workmen will be engaged shortly than were employed before the lockout the sixteenth of last November.

Secretary Charles H. Wishart of the Barre Manufacturers' association stated to-day that every member of the association has signed the new five years' bill, the only outstanding dispute, that at Northfield over the use of the "bumper," having been settled by taking out the bumper, and the bill was signed last night. The lateness of the signing there caused some delay in starting, so that business had not resumed so generally as in Barre.

One firm, which left the ranks of the Barre association a few weeks after the lockout order, has applied for readmission to the association. That firm is G. R. Bianchi, of Montpelier, and its application for reinstatement was received two weeks ago, said Secretary Wishart to-day. The association decided it was willing to receive Mr. Bianchi again, but stipulated conditions which have not been accepted as yet.

The Union Granite company of Waterbury, a co-operative concern, is also in communication with the association. The latter notified the concern that it does not consider the Union company a member of the association, and the latter insists that it still retains membership. It is understood that the new bill has been presented to the company for signing.

The Leland Granite company, which resigned from the Barre association several weeks ago and started work under a special agreement with the Barre union, has not applied for readmission, said the secretary of the association to-day. From every place in the "Barre belt" comes word to-day of the resumption of work, slowly at first, because it takes time to start after so long a shutdown; and with it comes the expression of pleasure that the thing is settled. Montpelier, Northfield, Waterbury, East Barre and Williamstown are the places affected. The Granite Association of all the others and partially resumed on Monday.

ST. ALBANS SIGNS.

Cutters and the One Company Work Under Barre Scale.

St. Albans, Feb. 23.—At a meeting of the granite cutters employed by the St. Albans Granite company, held here yesterday afternoon, it was voted to accept the Barre agreement, with one exception. This was in regard to the payment of wages, which, according to the agreement, could be on any day of the week, but the local cutters want their pay on Saturday exclusively.

FUNERAL OF EVA STONE

Was Held from St. Monica's Church Yesterday Afternoon.

The funeral of Eva Agnes Stone, the 13-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Talles Stone, who died Sunday night, was held at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon from St. Monica's church, Rev. P. M. McKenna officiating. There was a large gathering of friends and relatives. Among the relatives present from out of the city were Talles D. Stone of Cambridge, a brother, and Miss Florence Stone of Barton, a sister. The interment was in the Catholic cemetery. The pallbearers were Leo Bessett, Frank Russell, Keith Robinson and Clyde Robinson.

The following is a list of the floral tributes: Wreath from papa and mama; 13 roses from Minnie and Paul; carnations and roses, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Stone; 13 calla lilies, Mr. and Mrs. N. Canton; carnations, Florence and Harry Dewey; Miss Rose Drew, Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Canton, Mr. and Mrs. James Canton, Miss M. S. Chandler, Mrs. E. Canton and Miss Anna Welch, Mr. and Mrs. E. Canton, Miss Gladys Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Canton, Mrs. Elvira Cook and Miss Rose Cook, Mr. Burke and family, Miss Violet M. Dunell.

TALK OF THE TOWN.

Among arrivals at the City hotel last evening and to-day were G. R. Laguerre, Manchester, N. H.; P. H. Terrill, Boston; A. E. Wilcox, Philadelphia; C. J. Demeritt, Lowell, Mass.; J. C. Max, Utica, N. Y.; W. C. Howard, Fitchburg, Mass.; L. Grant, Buffalo, N. Y.; J. A. Baldwin, G. A. Harvey, Burlington; G. A. Willey, Concord, N. H.; B. E. Davis, Cabot; C. C. Mosher, Hartford, Conn.; G. A. Dickey, Troy, N. Y.